



CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited on February 5, 2004 with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Aimee Harrison
Name of Person Mailing Paper: Aimee Harrison

2/5/04
Date

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Serial No: 10/698,859
Filing Date: October 31, 2003
Art Unit: 3653
Applicant: Fang et al.
Title: METHOD OF CONFORMAL COATING USING NONCONTACT DISPENSING
Atty Docket: NOR-1148

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with the duty of candor and good faith imposed by 37 CFR §1.56 and means of complying therewith according to 37 CFR §§1.97 and 1.98, the references listed on the attached PTO-1449 are called to the attention of the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified patent application.

This application was filed after June 30, 2003, and therefore, no copies are enclosed of the U.S. Patents or Published applications cited as references herein.

No admission is made that the cited art represents the prior art or that the cited art is the most material art. Applicant submits that none of the cited references alone or in combination disclose or render obvious the subject matter in the present invention. The

Examiner is urged to consider the cited references and to make an independent decision with respect to their materiality.

Respectfully submitted,

WOOD, HERRON & EVANS, L.L.P.

By 

C. Richard Eby, Reg. No. 25,854

2700 Carew Tower
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202-2917
PH: (513) 241-2324
FX: (513) 241-6234

SUBSTITUTE FORM PTO-1449 (MODIFIED)		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE		ATTY. DOCKET NO. NOR-1148		SERIAL NO. 10/698,859	
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT (Use several sheets if necessary)				APPLICANT Fang et al.			
				FILING DATE October 31, 2003		GROUP 3653	

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS													
EXAMINER INITIAL		PATENT NUMBER							ISSUE DATE	PATENTEE	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
	A.A	4	9	6	7	9	3	3	11/1990	Maiorca et al.			
	A.B	5	5	0	5	7	7	7	04/1996	Ciardella et al.			
	A.C	5	7	1	1	9	8	9	01/1998	Ciardella et al.			
	A.D	5	7	9	5	3	9	0	08/1998	Cavallaro			
	A.E	5	8	1	9	9	8	3	10/1998	White et al.			
	A.F	5	8	3	7	8	9	2	11/1998	Cavallaro et al.			
	A.G	5	9	0	6	6	8	2	05/1999	Bouras et al.			
	A.H	6	1	7	3	8	6	4	01/2001	Reighard et al.			
	A.I												
	A.J												
	A.K												

FOREIGN PATENTS OR PUBLISHED FOREIGN PATENT APPLICATIONS							
		DOCUMENT NUMBER	PUBLICATION DATE	COUNTRY OR PATENT OFFICE	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION (YES/NO)
	A.L						
	A.M						
	A.N						
	A.O						
	A.P						
	A.Q						

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Place of Publication)		
A.R	Prentice et al., <u>U.S. Pub. No. US 2003/0091727 A1</u> , May 15, 2003	
A.S	Precision Valve & Automation, <u>Valves, Controllers, Tanks & Accessories, Manual Fluid Dispensing Systems</u> , Product Brochure, No Date	
A.T	Asymtek®, a Nordson Company, <u>AXIOM™ X-1020 Series, System Specifications</u> , Published July, 2003	

EXAMINER	DATE CONSIDERED
----------	-----------------

EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not in conformance. Draw line through citation only if not in conformance and not considered. Include a copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

SUBSTITUTE DISCLOSURE PTO-1449 (MODIFIED)		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE		ATTY. DOCKET NO. NOR/1148		SERIAL NO. 10/698,859	
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT (Use several sheets if necessary)				APPLICANT Fang et al.			
				FILING DATE October 31, 2003		GROUP 3653	

RECEIVED
 FEB 10 2004
 U.S. PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS									
EXAMINER INITIAL		PATENT NUMBER	ISSUE DATE	PATENTEE	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE		
	B.A								
	B.B								
	B.C								
	B.D								
	B.E								
	B.F								
	B.G								
	B.H								
	B.I								
	B.J								
	B.K								

FOREIGN PATENTS OR PUBLISHED FOREIGN PATENT APPLICATIONS							
	DOCUMENT NUMBER	PUBLICATION DATE	COUNTRY OR PATENT OFFICE	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION (YES/NO)	
	B.L						
	B.M						
	B.N						
	B.O						
	B.P						
	B.Q						

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Place of Publication)		
	B.R	Michael A. Reighard, Nicholas A. Barendt, <u>Conformal Coating Process Controls: The Manufacturing Engineer's Aid</u> , APEX, March 2000
	B.S	John P. Byers, Christopher E. Havlik, <u>Considerations in Dispensing Conformal Coatings</u> , Nepcon West, February 1999
	B.T	Michael A. Reighard, <u>Practical Applications of Process Control in Conformal Coating</u> , January 2002

EXAMINER	DATE CONSIDERED
----------	-----------------

EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not in conformance. Draw line through citation only if not in conformance and not considered. Include a copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

SUBSTITUTE FORM PTO-1449 (MODIFIED)		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE		ATTY. DOCKET NO. NOR/1148		SERIAL NO. 10/698,859	
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT (Use several sheets if necessary)				APPLICANT Fang et al.			
				FILING DATE October 31, 2003		GROUP 3653	

RECEIVED
 FEB 10 2004
 OIP

(37 CFR 1.98(b))

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
EXAMINER INITIAL	PATENT NUMBER	ISSUE DATE	PATENTEE	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE	
	C.A						
	C.B						
	C.C						
	C.D						
	C.E						
	C.F						
	C.G						
	C.H						
	C.I						
	C.J						
	C.K						

FOREIGN PATENTS OR PUBLISHED FOREIGN PATENT APPLICATIONS							
DOCUMENT NUMBER	PUBLICATION DATE	COUNTRY OR PATENT OFFICE	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION (YES/NO)		
C.L							
C.M							
C.N							
C.O							
C.P							
C.Q							

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Place of Publication)	
C.R	Precision Valve & Automation, <u>Flexibility in Conformal Coating for Small to Medium Size Users</u> , Website Printout, October 3, 2003
C.S	
C.T	

EXAMINER	DATE CONSIDERED
----------	-----------------

EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not in conformance. Draw line through citation only if not in conformance and not considered. Include a copy of this form with next communication to applicant.